

February 1, 1974

Mr. Seth Phillips  
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Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mr. Phillips:

Committee

Our Kirtland's Warbler has sponsored no specific educational program on the Kirtlands, although we talked about getting the Michigan Audubon Society and some government agency such as the U. S. Forest Service to equip and man a trailer at the Mack Lake Management area for this purpose.

Of course, over the years various bits of publicity have been issued, such as the enclosed folder. Also the National Forest Service has prepared in its Milwaukee Regional Office a slide presentation on endangered species including the warbler, but I am not sure if this is available by loan outside the staff members who carry it around and speak with it. Lately our committee encouraged the Michigan Audubon Society to gather a set of slides on the warbler to be offered through retail outlets in the bird's nesting range to take some of the heat of photographers off the bird. Also the M.A.S. publicizes the availability of a 16 mm sound movie on the bird prepared by Walter Berlet of Jackson - again hoping to reduce the need for photographers to go after their own pictures.

You will note that our emphasis has been on preservation rather than education, although we have recognized the desirability of making the public aware of this bird and its special problems of survival.

We would welcome you at one of our committee meetings, but have no plans to get together again before the Wilson Ornithological Society meeting at the Biological Station at Douglas Lake, where there will be a symposium on the Kirtland's Warbler on June 6, 1974. I would be glad to talk with you and come to Ann Arbor nearly once a month to use the library, but usually on short notice. By the way, Dr. Storer in the Bird Division of the Museum is on the Kirtland Committee, and he would be easy for you to reach.

Also the member of the Committee most interested in the interpretive aspect was Dr. Hal Mahan, a specialist in this matter and formerly at Central Michigan U. but now Director of the museum in Cleveland...Address:

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Feel free to write him.

Sincerely yours,